



22nd April 2020

Dear Parent/Carer

Re: Camps International Kenya 2020 - Cancelled

Thank you for your patience as we've liaised with Camps International to finalise the best course of action for our students regarding our up and coming expedition to Kenya.

After carefully considering both the department of Education and FCO's guidance, we are very sad to inform you that we will be cancelling the 2020 Kenya expedition.

Given current school closures and social distancing measures, we understand that expedition preparations are unable to be met and have no assurance of when travel bans will be lifted. As I'm sure you appreciate, this has not been an easy decision but with the safety and well-being of our students being our main priority, we believe it is the right one.

We understand the cancellation of this expedition may be extremely disappointing after all your hard work and preparation over the last year and as a school community we would like to highlight how proud we are of you all. Each of you has demonstrated perseverance, adaptability, and resilience as you've worked towards the expedition both individually and as a team. The skills you have showcased already will serve you well for all the future adventures and challenges you undertake.

As a school we are working to ensure each family receives a full refund. Following the Department of Education advice and Camps International's terms and conditions, we are in the process of claiming the 50% cancellation fee for you. Camps International have agreed to reimburse individual families for any further monies paid over the 50%, resulting in a **full refund for all families**. Please bear with us, as the refunds are likely to take 6-8 weeks to process.

We hope this decision helps to provide certainty during these unsettling times and should you have any questions Camps International can be contacted directly via operations@campshinternational.co.uk.

Yours faithfully

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Headteacher